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Another Man Lynched And The Murderers, As Usual, Go Unpunished

WHILE STATE AND FEDERAL OFFICERS ARE CHASING BOOTLEGERS MOB LYNCHES NEGRO

Again Oklahoma has been disgraced with a lynching, committed by 50 or more unmasked men. and yet, as usual, the officers of the law have put forth no effort to bring the murderers to justice. Even Gov. Cruce from his lofty peak of State authority looks down with little or no concern on the crimes of these degraded bellhounds who continues to ply their trade without any fear of the law. Bootlegers and race track gamblers are the only class of criminals who have anything to fear from Gov. Cruce.

The State Militia stands at the command of Gov. Cruce who will certainly invoke its service to suppress the sale of whiskey or race track gambling, but never once has he raised his voice or hand to put down the lynch crime.

The lynching of Crockett Williams at Eufaula last Friday night by a mob of 50 cowardly murderers is just another good reason why Negroes of this State should form an armed organization to protect themselves and uphold the law. Any man has a right to resort to arms to defend the law, or to protect a citizen from violence.

If the Negroes of Eufaula had done as they should, knowing the feeling against Williams at the time, they would have protected him at any cost. We believe in upholding the law at all times even if to do so means death. Therefore we are inalterably opposed to mob violence.

These mobs are invariably composed of the lower element of white men-the brutal, cowardly, murderous element. But one or two determined men amply armed can easily disperse them.

These lynchings are getting to be far too common in Oklahoma, and something must be done to stop it.

There is no hope of protection from the State authorities, and the federal government is silent on the question. Women and children have been lynched in Oklahoma, to say nothing of the scores of negro men who have been murdered, and not a single man of these infernal mobs has been punished- nor have the officers of the law made any effort to suppress the crime or punish the criminals. Negro men, it's up to us to act. We must have justice! Our wives and children are not safe in a

Mass Meeting Is Called To Elect Queen For Tulsa

Pretty Girls Will Ride In Big Parade At Muskogee on The 19

country so rent with outlawry

Let us respect the law and enforce it at the point of guns. When a negro is charged with crime let us aid the officers in apprehending him and then take our guns and protect him against mob violence. If bloodshed must come, let us welcome it, and die if need be in defense of the law and justice. Mobs have no right to take the law in their hand to kill a person, but we have a perfect right to kill the mob in defense of the law and the prisoners life. Such action on the part of negroes might bring protection from the federal government.

The better element of both white and colored people of Oklahoma should band themselves together to suppress this crime. It can be done! It must be done!!

Robertson Nominated

Negro Votes Defeated
Judge Williams

COLORED PEOPLE REMEMBERED HIS SPEECH AT WAGONER

According to the latest election returns Robertson has received the democratic nomination for Governor of Oklahoma, which means of course that he will be the next Governor.

Williams hung on as long to hope as there seemed to be a chance for him, but finally admitted his defeat. Fully 18000 Negroes voted in the democratic primaries which doubtless accounts for Williams defeat. Negroes had not forgotten his Wagoner speech.

Hon W H. Twine and A. G. W. Sango passed through the city Wednesday evening enroute to Boley to attend the Masonic Grand Lodge.

Mass meeting of the colored citizens of the East End has been called to meet at the A. M. E. church Monday night for the purpose of electing a Queen for the Tulsa float which will doubtless be one of the most gorgeous in the parade of the National Negro Business Men's League at Muskogee ten days from now. The parade will be headed by Dr. Booker T. Washington and has cabinet preceded by a company of Negro Boy Scouts as his escorts.

Next in line will be the officers of the state and local league at Muskogee, and officers of all the other state leagues.

Then will come the floats representing every county in the state which has the vim to send one, in which will ride the Queen and her attendants, all little girls dressed in white, carrying a huge banner with the name of their county on it.

The floats will be bedecked and decorated to suit the representation of the various counties.

Tulsa will be expected to lead in this as in everything else. At least we Tulsans will expect this of ourselves. It is not a question of shall we have a Queen, but who shall it be?

Tulsa is full of pretty girls from sweet sixteen to sixty any of whom would make a good race for this great honor. The Queen for Tulsa must be elected Monday night and each boy is anxious for his sister or his sweetheart to be Queen, elected by the vote of the people. Then too, married women are not barred, which will create a feeling of envy among the married men, each of course wanting his wife to be Queen.

In fact, it will be a very interesting campaign and everybody will go out to see it.

All expenses incurred by the Queen and her attendants going to and from Muskogee will be paid by the local organization.

5000 Attend Big Sand Spring Picnic

The colored people of Tulsa celebrated August 4th at Sand Springs Park. About 5,000 people attended the Park during the day. The big picnic was promoted by Freeman L. Martin. A number of stand privileges were sold by the promoter, but when the purchasers of these privileges began to do business white people in charge of the park ordered them to cease operation.

A large number returned when this was done, but the great majority preferred to remain on the ground and spend their money. This celebration cost the colored people of Tulsa and vicinity approximately \$7,500.00.

ENGLAND DECLARES WAR AND COMMENCES OPERATIONS ON SEA AND LAND AGAINST GERMANY; ALL NATIONS HAVE FLEETS IN MANY WATERS

TRANS-ATLANTIC CABLE IS CUT AND GERMANY IS SHUT OFF FROM WORLD

German Armies Are Steadily Moving in All Surrounding Countries; English Capturing German Vessels; Volunteers for the British Army Called for by the King; Black Sea is Now Closed to the Nations; Austria and Serbia so Closely Guarded no News of Battles is Coming Out; Reported Capture of German Fleet by the French.

LONDON, Aug. 5.—Although five of the great European powers—Austria, England, France, Germany and Russia—are at war and millions of men on land and sea are under arms and ready to strike, developments of prime importance were few today.

The cutting of the German telegraph and telephone connections and the severance of the German trans-Atlantic cable virtually cut Germany off from communication with other countries. Reports from France, Belgium, Holland and Russia, however, showed that Germany's armies were steadily moving forward east and west and that her advance posts were in contact with the opposing Russian and French armies.

In England preparations were rapidly completed for naval activities after the declaration of war last night, but the authorities would not permit any leakage of news as to military or naval movements.

Captures German Steamer. Several German steamships in British waters, including the Ballia with seventy-three German reservists and a quantity of foodstuffs on board, were declared prizes of war. The Maria Leonhardt, in the Thames, suffered a similar fate.

The British government today commanded the horses belonging to the express companies and big department stores, thus causing almost a suspension of business.

On the coast of the North sea where it had been erroneously reported that a naval battle was in progress last night, the British government had taken over all schools and other public buildings, for conversion into hospitals in readiness to receive the wounded in the expected naval encounter between the German and their fleets.

Volunteers were requested for the British army and this was taken as an indication that an expeditionary force was to be sent out, but no authentic information on this point was obtainable.

In France the minister of war declared the mobilization to have proceeded satisfactorily and everything to be in readiness with General Joffre, commander in chief, at the frontier.

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Muskogee Couple Comes to Tulsa to Get Married

A quiet wedding was solemnized in this city Wednesday afternoon by Rev. The contracting parties were Mr. Bland Whorton and Miss Pearl Hill, both of Muskogee. The groom is 25 years old while the bride's age was given as 19.

The bride is a Creek native and owns 160 acres of land. Her former home is Porter. The following friends from Muskogee accompanied them: Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Elliott, Miss Gladys Bogard and Johnnie Brown.

President's Wife Dead

First Death In The
White House
Since '92

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6. —Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the president of the United States, died at the White House at 5 o'clock this afternoon. Death came after a brave struggle of months against Bright's disease with complication.

The president was completely unnerved by the shock and his grief was heartrending. He bore up well under the strain, however, and devoted himself to his daughters.

The end came while Mrs. Wilson was unconscious. Her illness took a turn for worse shortly before 1 o'clock in the afternoon and from then on she gradually grew weaker.

Kneeling at the bedside at the end were the president and their three daughters. Dr. Cary T. Grayson, U. S. N., and a nurse were in the room, and just outside a door were Secretary McAdoo and Francis B. Sayre, Mr. Wilsons sons-in-law, and Mr. Tamulty, his secretary.

Both houses of congress adjourned when Mrs. Wilson's death was announced, and for a brief time the wheels of the government virtually stopped.

Vice President Marshall and members of the cabinet and the leaders in congress were notified. Both houses promptly adjourned. The flag on the White House dropped, gates were closed and the silence of death spread over the White House for the first time since 1892, when Mrs. Benjamin Harrison passed away.

CHELSEA, Mass., Aug. 5.—The death at the naval hospital yesterday of Rear Admiral Royal Bird Bradford retired, was announced Wednesday. Admiral Bradford was admitted to the hospital July 27 suffering from dropsy. He was 70 years old.